Acclaimed animator moves back to the Island he loves

London to the Isle of Wight – a lifestyle move that's very good for business

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Born on the Island, Christian Chessell was educated at Medina School before completing his degree in Graphic Art & Illustration at Leeds Metropolitan University. As a 2D and 3D Computer Animator Christian made the move from the Island to base himself in London; where many of the major animation studios are located.

As you would expect, having worked on a wide range of television and film including 'Peppa Pig', 'Noahs Island', 'Pond Life', 'Little Kingdom' and most recently 'Moshi Monsters The Movie' Christians skills and talent as an animator are much in demand.

The Challenge

Having been based in London since 1996 as like so many people born on the Island, Christian naturally wanted to return to the Island; to continue his work but with a 'Quality of Life' that was very different from the hustle and bustle of London.

Christian's initial thoughts were that it would be extremely difficult to make the move as the specialist IT systems he required needed to be very well supported in addition to requiring hi-speed, high availability systems and communications to manage his work remotely with the studios.

The Solution

Christian was recommended by a friend to speak to Jonathan Thornton, Managing Director of PC Consultants and was surprised at what was available and how easy the move back to the Island may actually be.

As Christian comments: *"When I spoke to Jonathan I was amazed at what PC Consultants could do for me and that it was in-fact very realistic. Giving me the confidence to move away from working in a Studio in London*

to move back to the Island and work remotely."

Working closely with Christian both Jonathan and Tim Brown, Engineering Director were able to establish exactly the right custom build solution that would support the demanding needs of 2D and 3D Studio Quality Animation

This included graphics supporting multiple screens and hi-speed processors, fast and hi-capacity drives, hi-resolution graphics and specialist devices such as 'Wacom Tablets' in

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Peppa Pig Television Series

addition to the Video Conferencing needed for script and scene briefings with Directors from the studios.

Christian adds: *"It was good to work with Jonathan and Tim at PC Consultants to specify and then build the system I needed for my animation work. They gave me options throughout and worked within the budget I had set, in-fact the final system once configured came in under budget and exceeded my expectations in terms of performance. I could not have asked for more."*

PC Consultants also introduced Christian to Wight Fibre who following a meeting and site survey were able to provide the hi-speed internet access needed to manage the large file transfers securely to and from the studios, where single files representing only 1 minute of animation could be up to 4Gb in size.

The Benefits

The move from London was made easier for Christian by PC Consultants; enabling him to continue to develop his business fully from his new studio on the Island, whilst enjoying the quality of Island Life and all that the Island has to offer may actually be with the help of PCC.

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